

Brigade Command Policy # 01-08

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MEMORANDUM FOR 1<sup>st</sup> Brigade, 1<sup>st</sup> Infantry Division (Mech)

SUBJECT: Battalion Coins

1. PURPOSE: To establish guidelines on the purchase of Battalion Coins, the issuance of the coins, and the physical characteristics.
2. Battalion Coins are to be awarded to soldiers for excellence in their job performance. Coins may no longer be presented to peers or superiors of the awarding officer or NCO as gifts. Additionally, only the Battalion Commander and Battalion Command Sergeant Major are authorized to award Battalion Coins to soldiers.
3. The only personnel allowed coin purchases with operational funds at the Battalion level is the Battalion Commander. CSM's and/or company level commanders are not allowed the purchase of coins. Coins purchased prior to the release of this memo may be awarded until supplies are exhausted.
4. Battalion Coins must bear the inscription "FOR EXCELLENCE" or "IN RECOGNITION OF OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE". Coins purchased prior to the release of this policy need not bear this inscription and may continue to be awarded until supplies are exhausted. Additionally, units will purchase coins using the following formulas:

Brigade Commands = Authorized strength X .15 X \$5.00 Brigade Commanders may purchase an additional 100 coins per fiscal year to be used for awards to appropriate recipients who are not members of their command

Battalion Commands . Authorized strength X .25 X \$5.00 Battalion Commanders may purchase an additional 50 coins per fiscal year to be used for awards to appropriate recipients who are not members of their command

5. Exceptions to this policy require a memorandum thru me for FORSCOM approval.
6. "Devil Brigade!"

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BART HOWARD  
COL, AR  
Commanding